

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 4 as set forth below. Please add new claims 5 through 9, as listed below.

Claims 1 through 3 (Cancelled)

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): A method for fabricating a dosage form, the method comprising:

providing a core comprising a drug [layer]; [and]

providing a membrane forming composition comprising a polymer, an amphiphilic surfactant, and a single solvent, wherein the polymer, amphiphilic surfactant, and single solvent are selected such that both the polymer and amphiphilic surfactant are soluble in the single solvent to such a degree that only the single solvent is needed to provide [a] the membrane forming composition [suitable for forming the membrane]; and

forming a membrane over the core with the membrane forming composition.

Claim 5 (New): The method of claim 4, further comprising forming an exit orifice through the membrane formed over the core.

Claim 6 (New): The method of claim 4, wherein providing a core comprises providing a bi-layer core including a drug layer and a push layer.

Claim 7 (New): The method of claim 4, wherein providing a membrane forming composition comprises providing a composition formulated to provide a dry coated membrane that includes from about 40 wt% to about 99.5 wt% polymer and from about 0.5 wt% to about 60 wt% amphiphilic surfactant.

Claim 8 (New): The method of claim 4, wherein providing a membrane forming composition comprises providing a composition wherein the polymer is selected from the group consisting of cellulose ester, cellulose ether, and cellulose ester-ether polymers, the surfactant is selected from the group consisting of polyoxyethylene fatty acid esters and polyoxypropylene glycols, and the single solvent consists of acetone.

Claim 9 (New): The method of claim 8, wherein providing a membrane forming composition comprises providing a membrane forming composition formulated to create a dry coated membrane that includes from about 40 wt% to about 99.5 wt% polymer and from about 0.5 wt% to about 60 wt% amphiphilic surfactant.